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The Board approved this CIS by a vote of: Yea(9) Nay(0) Abstain(0) Ineligible(0) Recusal(0)

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Type of NC Board Action: Against

Impact Information

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Agenda Date: 11/17/2021

Item Number: V. C.

Summary: The Reseda Neighborhood Council does not support the current draft LAUSD map under consideration by the Los Angeles City Council. This map is not compact and separates us from our communities of interest in the San Fernando Valley. We do support the map submitted by LAUSD Board Member George McKenna on pages 22-25 on the November 5th, 2021 Chief Legislative Analyst Report in regards to the San Fernando Valley. We strongly urge the City Council to prioritize the future of Los Angeles students, parents, and teachers and consider adopting the McKenna map. We are shocked and disappointed that those who we have elected to lead and craft policy so cavalierly abdicated their responsibility to do so regarding the LAUSD map. The City Council still has an opportunity to do the right thing and have a robust conversation about the future of primarily low economic Black Indigenous People of Color (BIPOC) students who have been traditionally forgotten by considering the McKenna map. See Attached: Pages 22-25 of the November 5, 2021 CLA report.



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November 1, 2021

Mr. Steven Luu
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Dear Mr. Luu,

Please extend my gratitude to Council President Martinez for providing the opportunity to submit feedback on the proposed LAUSD Redistricting Commission's recommended map to be reviewed at the City Council meeting scheduled for Tuesday, November 2, 2021. I sincerely appreciate her leadership on this issue.

My office has received numerous communications regarding the LAUSD Redistricting process, many of which expressed trepidation about an inability to effectively participate in the hearings due to limited community outreach or advanced notice of discussion items. LAUSD families represent more than 96 different languages spoken at home, thus creating additional barriers to involvement and participation.

Additionally, the Commission met for more than 11 months and has voted by a narrow majority (8-5) to submit a map that fails to uphold the spirit of equity and access, does not contain elementary or middle school attendance or neighborhood council boundaries, school feeder patterns, LAUSD Communities of Schools (COS) catchment areas, or the names or locations of any LAUSD school sites. Without that baseline information, many members of the public and specifically LAUSD families were disadvantaged to provide substantive comments.

The LAUSD Redistricting Commission's proposed map ("Map 2 Final Revision", attached) submitted to the City Council causes me concern regarding the integrity of the final work

product, absence of meaningful community engagement, and insufficient tools for public participation, including but not limited to the following:

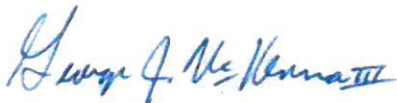
- There was no discussion on any public map submitted.
- There was no clarification on how to make a community map part of the draft map discussion.
- There was never formal conversation on the relative merit of any draft map, even of the Map 2 Final Revision.
- The Commission discussion never involved how schools within Communities of Interest (COI) and CoS's (Communities of Schools) have shifted with demographic changes over the past decade or are reflected in the proposed final map submitted for consideration.
- More than one third (38%) of the 13-member commission did not support the final map.
- The public discussion by commissioners around Citizen Voting Age Population (CVAP) was confusing as CVAP was not part of the city charter mandate for redistricting.

To that end, I have submitted the attached map ("Alternate Map Proposed by LAUSD BD1") for consideration by the City Council that strives to achieve equity for the entire school district and addresses the following challenges:

- The Sanchez map 2(rev) adopted as Final by the Commission badly gerrymanders District 2 and District 5 just as was done in 2010. A land bridge was artificially constructed linking the heterogeneous communities of Northeast and Southeast LA. Simply shifting the land bridge to just west of downtown does not alter the essential discontinuity of the proposed districts. Severing a community or melding together two disparate communities diminishes both group's power and hinders the potential for its children's equitable consideration.
- A wilderness area should not be rebranded as a physical land bridge to justify District 4 straddling the Santa Monica mountains. There is no human population bridge across this expanse bisected along its ridge by a firebreak. Mulholland Drive is a clear and obvious physical barrier delineating the southern border of Districts 3 and the northwestern border of District 4.

In summary, I ask that you review the map labeled "Alternate map proposed by LAUSD BD1" for your immediate and strongest consideration. Please feel free to contact my Chief of Staff, Dr. Sharon V. Robinson, (sharon.v.robinsin@lausd.net or 832-326-4772) for any additional information or clarification.

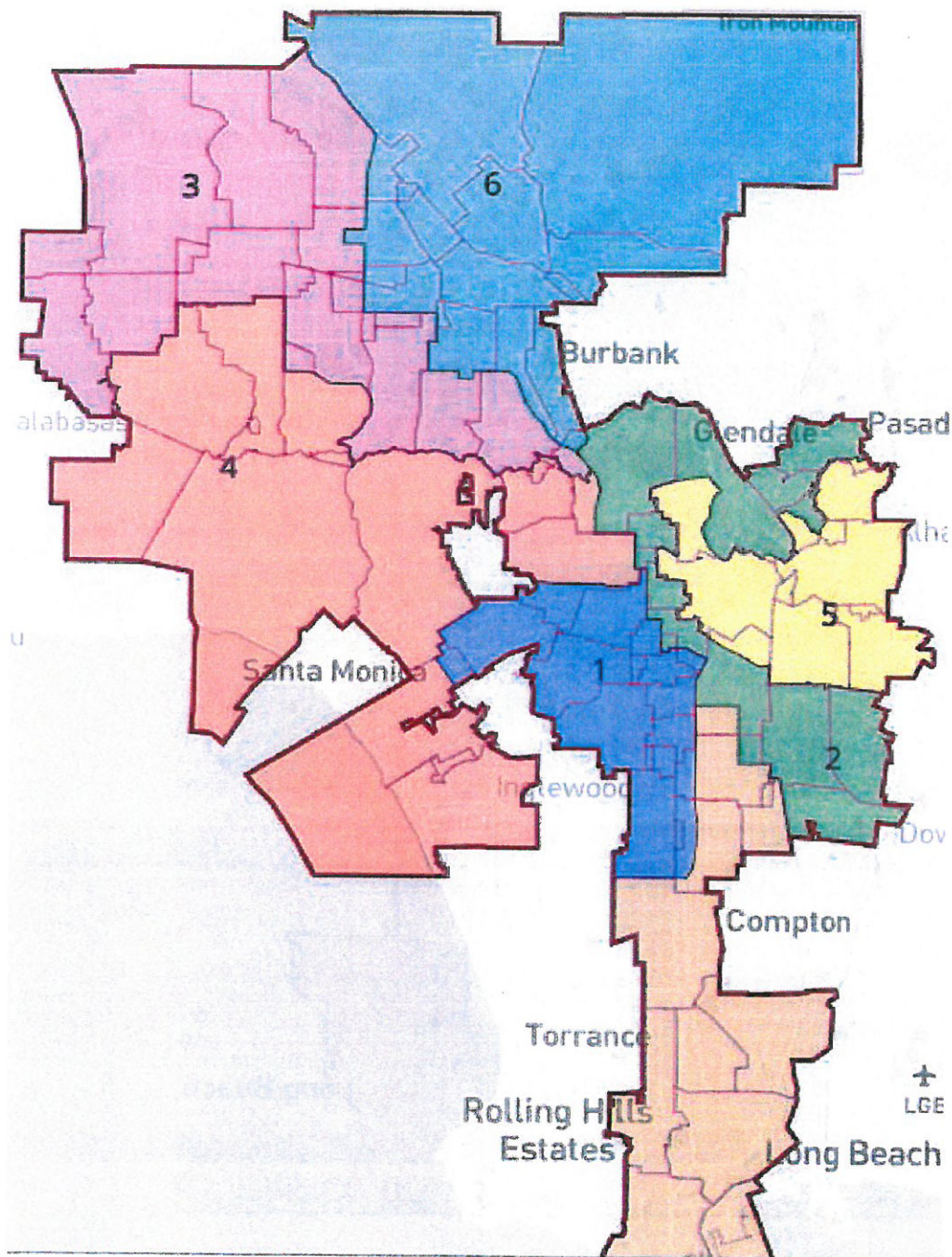
Sincerely,



Dr. George J. McKenna III
Los Angeles Unified School District
Board of Education, District 1

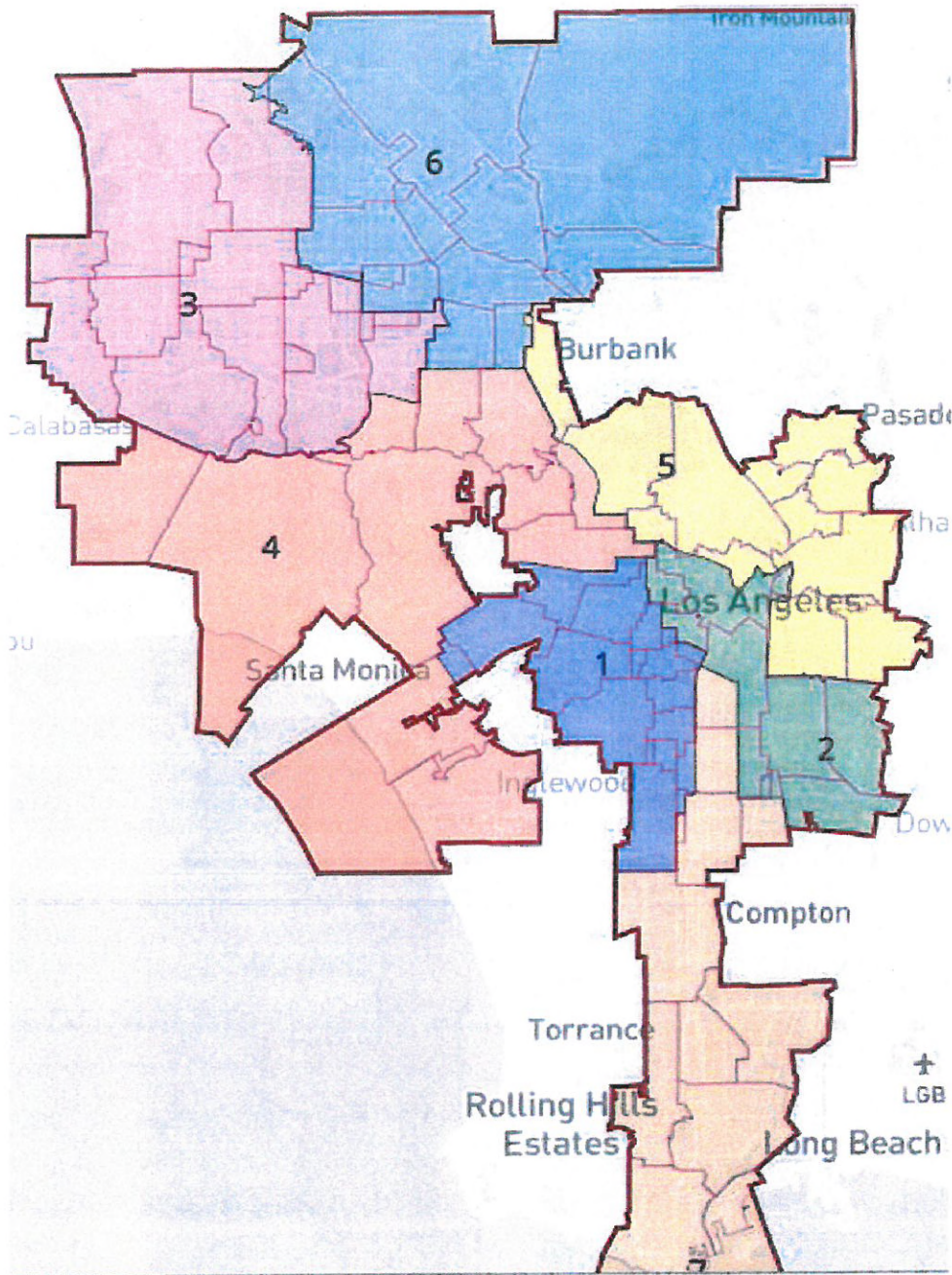
Attachment

Attachment A: Sanchez (rev2) Final



ID	Population		Shapes		Demographics (VAP)							DOWNLOAD	
	Total	+/-			Total	White	Minority	Hispanic	Black	Asian	Native	Pacific	
Un	160				160	35.00%	65.00%	36.88%	23.75%	12.50%	0.63%	2.50%	
1	643,841	-2.98%			514,174	16.44%	83.55%	41.92%	30.62%	10.96%	3.30%	0.34%	
2	675,036	1.72%			532,698	16.22%	83.78%	65.97%	4.83%	12.85%	4.22%	0.27%	
3	673,189	1.44%			544,656	44.64%	55.36%	31.96%	6.23%	16.44%	2.45%	0.40%	
4	703,609	6.03%			602,999	60.67%	39.33%	16.47%	5.74%	15.71%	1.73%	0.39%	
5	640,388	-3.50%			520,755	16.62%	83.38%	60.47%	6.24%	16.55%	4.37%	0.34%	
6	667,694	0.62%			524,112	24.94%	75.06%	60.25%	4.69%	9.74%	3.66%	0.32%	
7	641,335	-3.36%			486,814	11.96%	88.04%	56.55%	16.69%	14.58%	3.53%	1.05%	
	663,607	9.53%			532,338	28.32%	71.68%	46.86%	10.47%	13.88%	3.28%	0.44%	

Attachment B: Alternate Map Proposed by LAUSD BD 1



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Un	160				160	35.00%	65.00%	36.88%	23.75%	12.50%	0.63%	2.50%
1	663,380	-0.03%			533,028	18.50%	81.50%	40.27%	28.83%	12.27%	3.24%	0.34%
2	676,850	2.00%			530,095	8.19%	91.81%	70.01%	7.08%	14.79%	4.64%	0.27%
3	665,769	0.33%			535,127	43.49%	56.51%	33.49%	6.17%	16.18%	2.51%	0.37%
4	658,961	-0.70%			571,625	62.09%	37.91%	15.08%	6.09%	15.22%	1.73%	0.41%
5	662,814	-0.12%			542,589	26.08%	73.92%	55.96%	4.17%	13.46%	3.87%	0.34%
6	661,175	-0.37%			515,709	24.37%	75.63%	60.39%	4.14%	10.77%	3.55%	0.32%
7	656,143	-1.12%			498,035	11.76%	88.24%	56.24%	17.48%	14.31%	3.59%	1.04%
	663,607	3.12%			532,338	28.32%	71.68%	46.86%	18.47%	13.68%	3.28%	0.44%